

IRTS Radio News Bulletin Sunday 20th September 2009

THEORY CLASSES IN REGION 4

Plans are being put in place to run radio theory classes in the Limerick area by IRTS Region 4 representative Ger McNamara EI4GXB, with the hope that the theory examination can be held in Limerick which will be dependant on numbers.

Those interested in attending the theory classes can contact Ger via email at ei4gxb/at/ gmail.com or 087 2532512 or QTHR

LIMERICK RADIO CLUB

Limerick Radio Club wishes to advise new applicants for membership & former members who wish to re-join the club, can find the application form on the club website at www.eircom.net/ei4lrc

Please forward completed application forms to the club chairman Dermot Gleeson EI2GT at QTHR.

Full details of the application process are also available on the club website.

AREN Net

The AREN Net on the 21st will be a Digital Mode NET. The mode in use is PSK31, and will commence at 19:30 local time.

Dublin Area Repeaters

Dublin, Kippure, repeater EI2KPR on 145.7625 Mhz has been operational since Wednesday 2nd. Sept Access 88.5Hz CTCSS and 2.5Khz deviation.

3 Rock repeater EI2TRR on 145.600 Mhz. is now on it's new antenna since Tuesday 8th. Sept.

3 Rock 70Cms repeater EI7DUR on 433.225Mhz This is back on air also since Tuesday 8th. Sept.

Happy listening, and if your licensed you are more then welcome to use them.

Reception reports to ei2dj (at) eircom.net

Broadcasters HF Net

KE7GGV has formed the 14.316 Broadcasters HF Net-Sunday's 2300 UTC.

This net is a gathering place for current and former Broadcasters/Engineers in (Radio/TV). All Amateurs are welcome.

This is an open net that welcomes roundtable discussions, technical tips and ideas, questions and more.

TAPR Digital Communications Conference

Over the weekend of the 25-27 September the annual ARRL and TAPR DCC is being held in Chicago Illinois.

John Ronan EI7IG will be presenting his joint paper: Experiments with Delay and Disruption Tolerant Networking in AX.25 and D-STAR Networks.

John will also be presenting in the Introductory sessions, an Introduction to APRS.

EI2MOG- How To operate the Internet Gateway

EI2MOG on 145.2125Mhz located on Mount Oriel, Co.Louth now requires the use of CTCSS tone 88.5Hz, and further information can be found at www.ei7dar.com/gateway.html

EI2GBW Special event Station - Cork Swansea Ferry

The purchase of MV Julia for the new Cork-Swansea ferry service has now been completed. Julia left Finland on 16 September bound for Swansea, and is expected there on Wednesday 23 September for berthing trials before continuing on to Cork.

You can track her progress on marinetraffic.com under 'Ships Map' on the top left of the home page, and then finding 'Julia' under the 'Go to vessel' option.

Following her brief visit to Swansea, Julia is expected in Cork on Thursday 24 September or possibly the next day or two if her departure from Swansea is delayed.

To celebrate her arrival in Cork, special event station EI2GBW will be operating from the AREN mobile command post trailer at Customs House Quay on the day she arrives in Cork. Check press reports for exact timing of Julia's arrival in Cork.

EI2GBW will be QRV on 80m and 40m for the day. Planned frequencies are 3.660 to 3.680 MHz and 7.120 to 7.140 MHz. Operators will be John EI2GN, Tim EI2KA, Conor EI4JN and John EI9JO. Visit the EI2GBW page on QRZ.com for background information on the station.

MRE AGM

The AGM of the Mayo Radio Experimenters will be held on Wednesday October 7th at 9.30pm local time in The Welcome Inn Hotel, Castlebar. All are welcome to attend.

4W6AL Logbook now available online

The 4W6AL log has also been updated and is available online at: algarvedx.com

Please Note: QSL Manager/Pilot Station Toze, CT1GFK, reports that some 100 stations worked a PIRATED 4W6AL station on September 12th! Only four stations worked the actual 4W6AL station. Check the log before QSLing

Alpha Radio Products forms new Company

Alpha Radio Products. A newly formed company, RF Concepts, LLC, has acquired all the assets of Alpha Radio Products.

RF Concepts will manufacture the world-class amplifiers and other products that, for more than 40 years, our community has come to appreciate.

Ray Oliver's G3NDS - Sailing

As previously reported Ray Oliver's sail for charity, Ray is on his final leg of his journey to his homeport after leaving in April 2008.

Rays journey is available with stories and photos on his blog, weather permitting if all goes well he should be home in time for this weekend.

Rays blog is available at www.roundukcruise.org.uk

Swaziland DXpedition - QSL status

QSL Manager for the Swaziland DXpedition in August 2009, David, GI4FUM/3DA0DJ, reports that 5,000 QSL cards have arrived from the printer (in the Ukraine), on September 11th, so the cards are on their way back to anyone who QSLed direct.

Cards from the UK and Ireland have been dealt with first. Unfortunately, the present postal strikes will not help, but the cards are on their way.

There are two designs, so anyone who worked more than one member of the team should get cards in both designs.

Rallies

Sunday 1st November 2009 Foyle and District ARC Rally

Venue: White Horse Hotel, 68 Clooney Road, Derry, BT47 3PA (same hotel as last year)

Sunday 22nd November 2009 Mayo Radio Rally

Venue: Welcome Inn, Castlebar, Co. Mayo

The rally organiser and main contact is Padraic Baynes EI9JA mobile 087 - 695 7154 or email pbaynes1 at eircom dot net Special Accommodation Rates are also available please check the full details on the www.ei7mre.org website

For more information on Rallies please check the IRTS website.

This week in History

1736 Death of G.D. Fahrenheit, inventor of the thermometer.

1853 E.G.Otis demonstrates the world's first lift.

1939 Sikorsky flies first successful helicopter the VS-300.

Items mentioned in the IRTS Radio news are of a general, educational or informative nature, there is no guarantee that stations mentioned can be heard or worked.

Items for inclusion in next weeks Radio News should be

forwarded to Charlie EI8JB, preferably via e-mail to “charlie dot Carolan at gmail dot com” Or by phone to 087-6265418 News can also be submitted via e-mail to “newsteam at irts dot ie” for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday’s bulletin.

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